

CLAIMS

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An identification system, comprising:

a database comprising user identification information including a verification from the Internal Revenue Service;

an identification device configured to transmit said user identification information; and

a terminal configured to receive said identification information from said identification device, and to communicate with said database;

wherein said identification information from said identification device and said database are compared to verify the identity of the user.

2. The system of Claim 1, wherein said identification information further comprises a pictorial representation of the user, name, date of birth, hair color, eye color, height or weight of the user.

3. The system of Claim 1, wherein said identification information further comprises a digital representation of the user.

4. The system of Claim 3, wherein said digital representation is a digital picture, fingerprint, or retinal scan.

5. The system of Claim 1, wherein said identification device comprises magnetic material.

6. The system of Claim 1, wherein said identification device comprises a microchip.

7. The system of Claim 1, wherein said terminal comprises:

2 a point of sale terminal; and

a reading device configured to receive said user identification information from

4 said identification device.

8. The system of Claim 1, wherein said identification device is a bankcard, credit card, or

2 identification card.

9. A method of verifying identification of a user, comprising:

2 providing a database comprising user identification information, wherein said
identification information comprises a verification created by the Internal Revenue
4 Service;

6 issuing an identification device having said user identification information
thereon; and

8 comparing said one or more user identification information on said identification
device to said user identification information in said database to verify identification of
the user.

10. The method of Claim 9, wherein providing a database comprises filing an electronic tax
2 return for the user or opening an account by a bank.

11. The method of Claim 9, wherein providing a database comprises receiving a
2 verification of the identity of the user from the Internal Revenue Service.

12. The method of Claim 9, further comprising obtaining a digital representation of the
2 user.

13. The method of Claim 9, wherein said comparing is accomplished at least in part by a
2 terminal.

14. An identification verification system, comprising:

2 a database comprising user identification information comprising a verification
from a government entity and digital information of a user;

4 an identification device encoded with one or more of said user identification
attributes; and

6 a terminal configured to receive said one or more user identification attributes
from said identification device, and to communicate with said database;

8 wherein said identification attributes from said identification device and said
database are compared to verify the identity of the user.

15. The system of Claim 14, wherein said government entity is the Internal Revenue
2 Service.

16. The system of Claim 14, wherein said identification attributes further comprises a
2 pictorial representation of the user.

17. The system of Claim 14, wherein said identification attributes further comprises a
2 digital representation of the user.

18. The system of Claim 17, wherein said digital representation is a digital picture,
2 fingerprint, or retinal scan.

19. The system of Claim 14, wherein said identification device comprises magnetic
2 material.

20. The system of Claim 14, wherein said identification device comprises a microchip.

21. The system of Claim 14, wherein said terminal comprises a reading device configured
2 to receive said user identification attributes from said identification device.

22. The system of Claim 14, wherein said identification device is a bankcard, credit card or
2 identification card.

23. A method of verifying identification of a user, comprising:

2 creating a database comprising user identification attributes;

 providing an identification device configured to transmit user identification

4 attributes; and

 comparing said one or more said user identification attributes from said

6 identification device to said user identification attributes in said database to verify
 identification of the user,

8 wherein said user identification attributes include a verification created by the

Internal Revenue Service and a digital representation of the user.

24. The method of Claim 23, wherein said digital representation of the user comprises

2 digital picture, fingerprint, or retinal scan.

25. The method of Claim 23, wherein said identification device comprises magnetic

2 material.

26. The method of Claim 23, wherein said identification device comprises a microchip.

27. The method of Claim 23, wherein said comparing is accomplished at least in part by a

2 terminal, which comprises a reading device configured to receive said user identification

attributes from said identification device.

28. The method of Claim 23, wherein said identification device is a bankcard, credit card,
2 or identification card.

29. A method of verifying identification of a user where a tax return has been filed, or an
2 account at a bank has been opened, comprising:

receiving a verification of the identity of the user from the Internal Revenue
4 Service;

obtaining a digital representation of the user;

6 creating a database of user identification information, comprising said
verification from the Internal Revenue Service and said digital representation of the
8 user;

encoding one or more of said user identification information onto an
10 identification device; and

verifying the identity of the user by comparing said one or more user
12 identification information on said identification device to said user identification
information in said database.

30. The method of Claim 29, wherein said identification device comprises magnetic
2 material.

31. The method of Claim 29, wherein said terminal comprises a point of sale terminal and a

2 reading device configured to receive said user identification information from said
identification device.

32. The method of Claim 29, wherein said identification device is a bankcard, credit card,
2 or identification card.

33. A method of verifying identity where a tax return has been filed or a bank account has
2 been opened, comprising:

receiving an identification verification of the user from the Internal Revenue
4 Service;

creating a database comprising user identification attributes, which comprises
6 said identification verification from the Internal Revenue Service;

encoding one or more of said user identification attributes onto an identification
8 device; and

comparing said one or more user identification attributes on said identification
10 device to said user identification attributes in said database to verify identification of the
user.

34. The method of Claim 33, wherein said identification attributes further comprises a
2 digital representation of the user.